

More Light on that "Big Bulge" in Your Tax Receipt.

We are inclined to believe that what the Cresco Times terms a "Farce Comedy" doesn't tickle Brother Barth as much as he would have his readers believe.

No, "Brother Mead" didn't try to show an increase of 181 per cent in the taxes paid the state on the five Vernon Springs farms, but darned if it doesn't figure out that way. If the amount of tax paid to the state in 1912 on these five farms was \$4.04 and the increase in 1913 was \$7.32, according to the rules for figuring percentages, \$7.32 IS 181 per cent of \$4.04. Rather an astonishing percentage isn't it, Brother Barth? Thanks for the tip. But then, according to Governor Clarke in his Cresco speech, democrats are always slow to see anything, and on this ground we should be excused for not noting the extraordinary raise of 181 per cent until our attention was called to it by Brother Barth.

Here are a few more figures on taxable valuations and taxes paid on five farms in each of the north tier of townships in the county for contemplation by both the friends of Governor Clarke and Representatives Elwood and Enger, and the taxpayers of the county.

	Tax. Val.		Taxes	
	1912	1913	1912	1913
ALBION				
R. J. Woods	\$1804	\$2334	\$70.71	\$85.43
J. E. Wells (one farm)	1681	2116	65.90	77.44
August Weinkauff	1288	1670	44.68	56.11
M. C. Larkin	2303	3279	80.62	127.23
W. F. Milz	1861	2386	66.64	89.71
FOREST CITY				
H. Halverson	894	1198	34.39	52.50
Grant Jones	1752	2037	56.94	75.78
H. Ruesink	1797	2207	58.39	82.10
O. P. Klingsheim	1912	2360	73.23	103.83
J. H. Jones	1829	2308	59.45	85.86
CHESTER				
George Cray	1636	1960	49.08	54.88
M. Leslie	1804	2162	54.14	60.54
G. Bouska	1335	1811	45.92	58.36
S. H. Selck	1614	1981	55.98	64.52
Burns Estate	1696	2041	50.89	57.14
OAK DALE				
J. T. Tapp	2578	3458	86.36	117.12
H. T. Reed	1479	1888	49.54	63.99
Reed Elwood	817	1003	27.37	34.00
B. N. Hendricks	1544	2053	51.73	69.59
H. L. Spaulding	1555	2596	63.16	88.00

The total acreage of the above twenty farms is approximately 3475 acres. The total taxable valuation in 1912 was \$33204, from which the STATE, on a levy of 3.9 mills, received \$129.49. The total taxable valuation in 1913 was \$42748 from which the STATE, on a levy of 4.9 mills, received \$209.46—an increase of \$79.97 or about 62 per cent above the revenue of 1912. No city council, board of supervisors or township trustees had anything to do with this amount paid the state. Governor Clarke's executive council and his legislature, including Representatives Elwood and Enger, must accept the responsibility.

What are We to Believe?

In reply to our article of last week entitled "Was the Capitol Extension Bill Railroaded," (the Times takes up about \$1.40 worth of valuable space—at regular advertising rates—to give a rehash of Governor Clarke's version of the passage of this bill, filled with dates from January 16th to April 8th, but which does not in any way dispute the following FACTS from the Senate and House Journals.

The bill was introduced April 3rd (see page 1826, Journal of House) and given its first and second readings.

On the morning of April 8th, it was passed in the House (House Journal, page 2092.)

On the afternoon of April 8th, it was given its three readings and passed, (see pages 1816, 1874 and 1875, Senate Journal,) following which a motion to reconsider was laid on the table and the bill thus "nailed down" according to the best parliamentary usages.

The Times of October 6th in its quotation from Governor Clarke says:

"In all my experience I have hardly known a measure that had more publicity or a subject more fully discussed."

On Sunday, March 2, there was published in the Register and Leader with the heading "Allison Monument and Proposed Improvement of the State House Grounds," the views referred to and the subject was discussed.

The Des Moines Register and Leader of same date, Oct. 6th, in a long editorial concerning capitol extension said "The Des Moines newspapers commented on the matter from time to time, but DID NOT GIVE IT MUCH ATTENTION because so many other proposals had been made in other years and had come to nothing. Moreover, the Des Moines newspapers were deeply engaged in promoting a scheme of good roads reform."

Was the bill railroaded? Did it have full publicity? Read again the quotation from Governor Clarke and note the newspaper heading referred to, "Allison Monument and Proposed Improvement of State House Grounds." Was that heading misleading? How many readers of a daily paper—generally superficial readers—would read that heading and see behind it an account of a proposed minimum expenditure of \$2,000,000? Did anyone suppose it would take 80 acres of land for a site for the Allison monument?

What newspaper statement are we to believe, that of Governor Clarke's organ, the Des Moines Register and Leader, or Haugen's harmonica, the Howard County Times, both orthodox republican papers.

To the taxpayer with the "Big Bulge" in his tax receipt, it looks as though somewhere, somehow, that "there's a nigger in the woodpile."

Poultry Wanted!

I will buy all kinds of live poultry on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, at my store at Lourdes, paying the highest market price in cash. Weight guaranteed. F. J. FISHER.

260 Acre Farm for Sale.

The former Barney Steinmetz farm, 34 miles east of Cresco, consisting of 260 acres. Must be sold soon to settle estate. P. M. HEROLD, Referee. 221f

Some Good Horse Races.

Owing to a rather short time to do effective advertising, a rather small crowd attended the races at the driving park Thursday afternoon of last week, but those who did attend were treated to some of the best racing ever seen on a Cresco track.

The first heat of the 2:25 pace was won by Lady Lockhart, a speedy mare recently bought by Dr. Button, in the fast time of 2:16. In the second heat the sulky broke and threw out the driver, Dr. Langford, and she came in without a driver. As there was no substitute for the smashed sulky the mare was drawn from the race.

In the 2:30 Special, Cutting's Lady Lyle and Klinge's Allen Gilbert furnished some good racing, as also did Arion Strother and High Wilson in the stallion race in which five heats were necessary.

Following is the summary.

2:25 Pace
Lady Lockhart, b. m. (Button) 1 drn
Air Line, b. m. (Odell) 2 1 1 1
Tinka, b. m., (Eddy) 3 2 2 3
Toga, b. g., (Langford) 4 3 3 2
Time—2:16, 2:22, 2:25, 2:26.

2:30 Special
Lady Lyle, b. m. (Cutting) 1 1 1 1
Allen Gilbert, b. m. (Klinge) 2 2 2 2
Time—2:36, 2:33, 2:23.

Stallion Race
Arion Strother, b. s. (Strother) 1 2 2 1
High Wilson, c. s. (Lydon) 2 1 1 2
Time—2:52, 2:51, 2:51; 2:56, 2:55.

Dr. Langford, of Britt, Iowa, from whom Dr. Button bought Lady Lockhart, has decided to locate in Cresco and conduct a training stable next season. He is a veteran driver on the big circuits and will make Cresco quite a racing center next spring with a long string of fast steppers.

A Word to My Patrons.

I ask one and all of you to come to my store and let me figure on your winter supply of groceries and flour. I will save you money if you come and let me figure on your bills. I will sell you your groceries cheaper than you can send for them. I will not name any prices but will give them to you when you come to buy. All goods will be delivered in town, and will make prompt deliveries as I have an up-to-date man to take out my deliveries for you. Leave your orders early and you will have them brought to your place early. We make four deliveries per day. Give me a chance and I will treat you well and save you money.

F. C. WOELLSTEIN.
P. S. We are making, till further notice, a reduction of another 5 cents per sack on flour—a 10 cent drop in ten days.

Court Adjourns.

The term of the district court which convened Monday adjourned yesterday afternoon. But one jury was impaneled and that in the case of Halverson vs. Henderson Piano Co., and after half a day taking evidence, the court directed a verdict for the defendant. Following this the entire petit jury panel was discharged. The grand jury we understand had but one matter before it, and was discharged Tuesday forenoon. The complete proceedings of the court will be printed next week.

Ray Owens went to Calmar Saturday.

Threshing coal at Lomas & Farnsworth's.

Leon Brown returned yesterday from Decorah.

Apprentice girl wanted at Mary Lydon's.

J. A. Cray was down from Lime Springs Friday.

A. L. Prey and family have moved to Preston, Minn.

GIRL WANTED—For diet kitchen work at Mercy Hospital. 3tf

V. S. Bowers was down from Lime Springs yesterday.

Elizabeth Byrnes came up from Decorah on Monday.

Ruth Evans, of Lime Springs was a Cresco caller Saturday.

N. A. Blackburn, Lawyer, office over Field's furniture store.

J. C. Kerr and wife went to Muscatine Friday, to visit friends.

Mrs. Theo. Gunderson went to Ridgeway, Monday, to visit relatives.

Rev. and Mrs. Pless went to Chester Wednesday, to attend a wedding.

Mrs. H. W. Owen was down from Lime Springs Tuesday on business.

Miss Abbie Converse left Tuesday for a few day's stay in Minneapolis.

Ella Caward came up from Decorah yesterday for a visit with relatives.

Emma Scharnweber, of Chester, was a Cresco business visitor Saturday.

FOR SALE CHEAP—Second-hand auto in first-class repair. 217 DR. HESS.

Mrs. Wm. Fenske and little daughter were down from Bonair Saturday.

Attorney B. N. Hendricks, of Riceville, was a Cresco visitor Wednesday.

Miss Carrie Hill went to Minneapolis Friday, to visit her sister, Mrs. Thurman.

Grace Rivers and Vera Miller returned Sunday from a visit at Riceville.

Mrs. J. C. Livingston left Tuesday for a visit with relatives at Edgewood, Iowa.

Mrs. M. Ellingson left yesterday for a visit with her children at Fayette, N. D.

Stella Fleming went to Le Roy yesterday, for a visit at the M. Sullivan home.

Agnes Dvorak went to Lime Springs Saturday, for an over Sunday visit at home.

Mrs. Stevens went to Bonair Saturday, to visit her daughter, Mrs. Ben Jones.

T. J. Lomas and wife left Monday to spend the winter at San Diego, California.

Miss Minnie Porter went to Decorah Friday to visit her sister, Mrs. Pollitt.

Hattie Morton left Monday for Austin, Minn., where she is attending school.

Gertrude Soum went to Decorah Saturday for a visit with Miss Kathinka Eugen.

Mrs. N. S. Rowley went to Lime Springs Friday, to visit Mrs. Margaret Grettum.

Lost—A set hat pin between Graner and Cresco. Finder please leave at this office.

Mrs. Henry Rink went to Calmar, yesterday, to visit her brother, Martin Haubrich.

Mrs. C. Pergler and little son Carl returned Saturday, from a visit in Cedar Rapids.

Attorney Frank O'Connor was up from New Hampton between trains on Tuesday.

Jone Kakac returned Sunday evening to Chicago where she is taking a course in dentistry.

Mrs. S. Barfoot came up from Ridgeway yesterday to visit her sister, Mrs. A. W. Dorn.

The Misses Lucy Schafer and Lucy Herzog returned Wednesday from a visit in Austin.

LOST—A bunch of keys in Cresco. Finder will please return to PLAIN DEALER office.

Lucile Hanley returned Friday from a visit with relatives and friends at Mitchell, S. D.

Mrs. Ben Logsdan and babe came up from Decorah Saturday for a visit with relatives.

Mrs. A. J. Chubbuck and son Royce left Tuesday for their new home at Toston, Montana.

Mrs. Alice Amle and daughter Laura left yesterday for their new home at Cooperstown, N. D.

Miss Frances Meyer went to Calmar Wednesday for a few days' visit with relatives and friends.

LOST—Either on Railroad or Elm St. on Sunday, Sept. 20th, a \$10 bill. Reward for its return to the PLAIN DEALER office.

Miss Sarah McDonough left yesterday for a visit with friends at New Hampton and Acme.

Mrs. Laura Fishbaugh, and Mrs. J. H. Graybill, of Preston, left yesterday for Mampa, Idaho.

If you want a farm loan at a low rate of interest, see American Loan & Trust Company, Cresco, Ia.

Fred Reinow returned Saturday to his home at McGregor, after a visit at the Fred Rathelme home.

A good 160-acres of land in South Dakota, to trade for Cresco property. Enquire of A. E. Barker. 4-t4.

Mrs. W. H. Alleman returned Monday from a visit with Mrs. Chris. Alleman at West Concord, Minn.

M. Ahern, of Lanesboro, Minn., who has been visiting his sister, Mrs. D. Mara, left Friday for Austin.

FOR SALE—Cord wood, both oak and poplar, at the new race track. Enquire of ENOCH STROTHER. 28tf.

Sever Stinson and family came Friday from Albert Lea, to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Stinson.

Mrs. John Everett and children arrived Sunday night from St. Cloud, for a visit with relatives and friends.

Mrs. P. H. Kennedy returned Friday to her home in Lawler, after a visit with her sister, Mrs. R. Buffton.

John Schimming was up from Decorah for an over Sunday visit with relatives and friends at Saratoga.

Mrs. Mary Bucknam came down from Minneapolis, Tuesday, to look after her Cresco property interests.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Owens and two little sons, of Lime Springs, were Cresco callers Friday, between trains.

Mrs. Frank Slifka and children went to Ft. Atkinson Saturday, for a visit with her sister, Mrs. Jim Doubek.

Mrs. Geo. Champlin and little son George returned yesterday from a visit at Decorah, Canton and Burr Oak.

Mrs. Counselman and daughter Reba returned yesterday, from a trip to Kansas, Colorado and other points.

Use Miller's Creek Kentucky Split Coal for threshing.

LOMAS & FARNSWORTH.

Myra Buck, Selma Sjoboen, Rose Jones and Helen Bock were down from Lime Springs Saturday between trains.

FOR SALE—Some houses in Cresco. Address MRS. NELLIE WATROS, Cogswell, N. D.

Louise Salisbury went to Lime Springs Friday, for a few day's visit with her sister, Mrs. Charles Schacht.

Mrs. M. L. McAllister returned Saturday to her home in Minneapolis, after a visit at the D. P. Shumway home.

Mrs. W. A. Clink and W. A. Daskam, went to Hawkeye Wednesday, to visit the latter's sister, Mrs. Robinson.

Mrs. J. Dennis was down from Chester Friday, to visit Mrs. Breedlove and Mrs. Barnes, patients at Mercy hospital.

Mrs. W. L. Richards left for Farmington, Saturday for a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Dr. Sanford, and family.

For Sale—A pedigreed Poland China boar, about 18 months old. Phone West 10. A. L. Diedrich, Rt. 3, Cresco.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Mattison and two boys, who have been residing near Kendallville, left Wednesday to live at Adams.

The Woodmen Circle will hold their next friendly, Wednesday, Oct. 14th, in the Woodmen hall, with picnic supper.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Farnsworth returned Wednesday from a visit with relatives and friends at Castalia and Oasian.

For Sale—Rhode Island Red Cockerels, of Buschmann Pierce stock, from trap nested layers. Mrs. J. J. Driscoll.

FOR SALE OR RENT—My farm in Bluffton Twp., Winnebago County. Enquire of MRS. ELLEN HENRY, Cresco, Iowa.

Manley Robinson, of Belle Plaire, Iowa, has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Robinson, the past week.

Owen Jones lost two fingers from his right hand on Thursday last by getting caught in the gears of an ensilage cutter.

Mrs. H. A. Hansen, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. O. Iverson, returned yesterday to her home at Ogilvie, Minn.

Mrs. Will Seeley returned Monday to her home at Preston, Minn., after a visit at the home of her parents, Peter Ferrie and wife.

Mrs. A. B. Gillett, who has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. C. Patterson, returned yesterday to her home at Beardsley, Minn.

For Sale—W. J. Webster's great big type Poland Chinas. Come early and get a good one. Will sell at bed rock prices to farmers. 4 t4.

There will be a public dance given in the Modern Woodman hall Monday, Oct. 12th, by Carpenter's orchestra. Everybody invited.

E. J. Taft, Art Walters and Ed Gerber left Tuesday evening for Kalodan, in eastern Canada, to inspect some gold and silver mines.

S. L. Anderson, of Bison, S. D., is visiting in Cresco at the home of his brother-in-law, Harry Libbey, and with Ridgeway relatives.

John Kakac, who is attending the German college at Dubuque, returned Monday evening to his school work, after a short visit at home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Elliott came over from Harmony, Minn., Thursday, for a short visit in Cresco, Mr. E. being a pleasant caller at this office.

Mrs. Chas. Fields and brother L. T. Crittenden and wife, from Rapid City, S. D., left Monday for a visit with relatives residing at McIntire.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Heidtke and little daughter, of Brownsdale, Minn., came Saturday, for a visit at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Aug. Henke.

Mrs. Geo. Sage and daughter, Mrs. D. C. Marotta, arrived Wednesday from Spooner, Wis., to visit the former's father, Mr. Markham.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Theilich, who were here to attend the funeral of John Weidaman, returned yesterday to their home in Kensett, Iowa.

Mrs. S. A. Smith, who has been a guest at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. L. Richards, left Saturday for her home in Aberdeen, S. D.

J. Q. Rowley and wife left Saturday for a visit at Webster and Moberg, S. D. From there they expect to go to Oregon to spend the winter.

Mrs. E. Downey and children returned Saturday to their home in Calmar, after a visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Becker.

H. W. Sawin and wife came from Northwood, Iowa, Saturday evening. The former returned on Monday, the latter remaining a few days longer.

FOR SALE—A No. 2 Swenson Mal-leable grubbing machine, fully equipped. Phone West 17.

S. E. DINGER, Rt. 3, Cresco, Ia.

Have secured the help of J. Newton, an experienced cleaner and presser of both ladies' and gents' clothes.

MODEL PANATORIUM.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Breedlove and Mr. and Mrs. Barnes returned yesterday to their homes in Chester; the ladies have been patients at Mercy Hospital.

Mary Clancy, of Deerfield, Iowa, who has been a guest at the home of Mrs. Ellen Clancy, went to Montgomery, Minn., Saturday, for a visit with Mrs. Thos. Loftus.

Mrs. McCullow went to Calmar, Monday, to make the acquaintance of an 8-pound granddaughter who arrived Sunday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. McCullow.

Mrs. Maggie Hall is out from Chicago, a guest at the T. J. Gibbons home. She will remain for a couple of weeks longer visiting among old time Howard county friends.

Mrs. Thos. Loftus with her daughter May and son Thomas returned Saturday to their home at Montgomery, Minn., after a visit at the home of her sister, Mrs. Ellen Clancy.

Barn Dance—You are cordially invited to attend a barn dance at Will Eddy's, 4 miles east of Cresco, on Friday evening, Oct. 9th. Music by Deane Bros. 4-piece orchestra.

Mrs. A. A. Eddy, who has been visiting at the home of her brother, S. D. Towne, and other relatives, left yesterday for Lincoln, Nebraska, enroute to her home at Coal Creek, Colorado.

I am one of the contestants in the piano contest at Nichols store, and want to ask my friends to cast their votes for me at the store.

Lillian Bowers.

Martin Johnson, Frank Huber, Roe Brown and Charles Burgess were business visitors in Minneapolis, the first of the week, looking after material and decorations for the new opera house.

Bring your overcoats, mackinaws, cravenettes, furs and cloaks to the Model Panatorium.

E. E. BATEMAN, Prop.

First door west of Plain Dealer.

J. B. Caward is visiting among his Cresco relatives and friends, having arrived this week from Spirit Lake, Idaho, where he was camping out with his daughter and her husband, Ervin Barker, of Spokane, Wash.

If you wish to buy a home in Cresco and don't wish to pay more than the property is worth call on me and I will show you a home that will save you money. Phone 273.

VINCENT KAPLER.

Sickening headaches, indigestion, constipation, indicate unhealthy condition of the bowels. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea makes the bowels work naturally and restores your system to perfect health and strength. Begin to-night.—Fred Lowry.

For Sale—A few choice Duroc-Jersey stock hogs, the best of breeding with plenty of bone and length. Can furnish new blood to old customers. Pedigree furnished.

4-18, Geo. S. Barker, R. 6.

Mrs. A. J. Evans went over to Caldonia, Minn., last Saturday for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Evans and other friends. She was accompanied as far as Harmony by Mr. and Mrs. Fay Farnsworth and Miss Gertrude Evans.

Rev. Kerwin favored the Cresco Union Sunday School with a very fitting talk, last Sunday. This Sunday School is doing fine work and extends an invitation to all to attend its services in the First Ward school building every Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

180 acre farm, about five miles from Cresco, for sale. This is a farm of good buildings and good soil and a very nice location. Can be bought very reasonably and on good, long, easy terms. This farm is for sale only for a short time. Phone 274 or write Vincent Kapler, Cresco, Iowa.

For Sale—Duroc-Jersey male pigs. Having sold all of our March male pigs, we have a number of April, May and June pigs for sale yet, also one year old hogs and two last part of January. Come early as they won't last long.

Mrs. Joseph Bouska & Son.

Rt. 2, Calmar, Iowa.

My entire millinery stock for sale. Send me a buyer or come personally and help me dispose of my stock, as I want to settle so I can take a rest. I want to thank all those who have helped me in the past and ask you for your assistance; to help get rid of the stock I still have on hand. Mrs. I. Iverson.

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E. E. BATEMAN, Prop.

Model Panatorium, 1st door west Plain Dealer office.

Ridgeway Circuit, Sunday, October 11th.